

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2007 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.

PRESENT: Anthony B. Toran, President, Matt Denison, Chas Hunter, Police Chief Merl Harl, Corporal Todd Bailey, Code Enforcement Officer Pam Badger, Traffic Division Supervisor Officer Darren State, Fire Chief Stanley Mason, Street Dept Director Chuck Simons, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Building Commissioner Ron Hartman, Controller Kay Garry, Flood Control Director Ron Granger

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Toran called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #1 - Lisa Buckner re: road block request

Ms. Lisa Buckner reported that she owns three daycares and she has an employee who has been diagnosed with ALS and they would like to raise money for her. She presented the board with a diagnosis for her disease. She stated that currently their house is in foreclosure and they would like to help them out.

Mr. Toran asked if they have formed a committee for this.

Ms. Buckner stated that they have a group of her friends that have joined together and are going to the bank today to set up a bank account.

Mr. Hunter stated that in the past they have not done road blocks on individual basis but they are sympathetic to the situation.

Mr. Toran stated that the best course of action would be for them to get affiliated with a non-profit group that is supportive of the cause and have all funds go through them.

Item #2 - Tracey Neafus re: road block on Silver and Spring on September 4, 2007 4:30 -6:30 for YMCA outreach program

Ms. Neafus was not present.

Item #3 - Matt Denison re: potential encroachment at 700 blk W. Spring St.

Mr. Denison reported that he was called by Mr. Michael Footer regarding an alley situation behind W. Spring Street. He stated that he owns three properties that he is doing some demo and remodeling and he has problems with the alley that runs behind the block. He stated that he spoke with Mr. Gibson and he stated that they should vacate that property.

The Board agreed by common consent to approve.

Item #4 - Matt Denison re: consent of encroachment on lot 66 to properly unify its title to lot 64 and its structures.

Mr. Denison reported that he discussed this issue with Mr. Gibson regarding this consent for encroachment and he suggested that they sign off on it.

Mr. Denison moved to approve the request from the attorney for Lots 66 and 64 to

unify its title, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

Item #5 - Officer Darren State re: 2 handicap spots for St. Mary's Church and for Culbertson Ave.

Officer State reported that he has two handicap requests and he would recommend that they approve these spaces.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

Item #6 – Marcey Wisman re: request for street closure for Latina Festiva

Ms. Wisman presented the info for the Latina festiva and would like to have a walk if possible and they are asking the board to approve. She stated that she has already spoken with Corporal Bailey about the walk.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

Chief Stanley Mason presented requests for reassignments for Captain Chris Wiseman from squad 10 to 6 on C Crew and Tim Bailey from truck one to squad 10 per his request.

Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

Chief Mason also informed the board that he met with the Dept. of Health and signed an agreement with response and recovery, so that if they need their assistance they will provide it. He stated that engine 4 has a scuffed piston and should be back in order by Friday.

Chuck Simons reported that they need to make a decision because they only have 10 days before it runs out.

Mr. Wood reported that the board of works approved the Pine Hurst Subdivision and they need an authorization to apply for a permit from INDOT to make the improvements to Knob and Elliott where they intersect with Grantline and we would be applying on behalf of Scott Adams.

Mr. Hunter asked if he would prepare what he is requesting the board to approve with the proper language.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

Mr. Toran reported that he received a letter from Mr. Theodore Bolin for compensation of his sick days. He reported that he is retiring and would like payment for his sick days that he did not use and he will need the approval of the board of Works and the human resources department.

Mr. Denison moved to approve Mr. Bolin's request, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

Mr. Toran reported that he wanted the street sweeper to go out to Indiana, Morton McClean area. He asked Jerry Taylor to check a drain cover in the Morton Street area. He asked Ron Hartman and Pam Badger to check the house in the 900 block of Oakland Ct. He stated that he also received a call from a Mr. Rickets regarding the little league team that won the state championship and ask if the City could put up a sign announcing their win. He stated that he thinks there needs to be a new sign made for the entrance into New Albany on Spring Street that has available space to add any major tournament

winners.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Mr. Transue asked if there has been a cut back in the street cleaning.

Mr. Toran explained that there has been because there is a street cleaner down.

Mr. Transue stated that he also has a problem with the house next to him the grass only gets cut when Ms. Badger comes out to cite the owners for the neglect of the property.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the property next to Mr. Transue's home and its state of unseemliness and disrepair.

BIDS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Hunter moved to approve the August 21st minutes, **Mr. Denison** second, all voted in favor.

Mr. Toran asked retired Officer Joe Lewis to step forward and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation for his work on the police force.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony B. Toran, President
Board of Public Works & Safety

Marcey Wisman, City Clerk
Civil City of New Albany, Indiana